

Title (en)

Method and apparatus for area-efficient graphical user interface

Title (de)

Verfahren und Vorrichtung für bereichswirksame grafische Benutzeroberfläche

Title (fr)

Procédé et appareil pour interface utilisateur graphique utilisant la surface de façon efficace

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Application

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP2487575A2] The GUI screen image (50a) is a standard screen image, and displays a first combined GUI area (52), which is a combination of a GUI of the directional keys and a GUI of a joystick, and a second combined GUI area (56), which is a combination of a GUI of the four-type operation buttons and a GUI of a joystick, at the lower left and at the lower right on the screen image, respectively. Depending on an area in the first combined GUI area (52) or in the second combined GUI area (56) to which a user newly touches, which of the combined GUI to be used is determined and a screen image is switched (GUI screen image (50b, 50c, 50d, and 50e)), and if a finger or a thumb detaches, the screen image switches back (GUI screen image (50a)).

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